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1. On 15 January, the North Korean Ministry of Internal Affairs opened a political training school in a building formerly the P'yongyang First Middle School. The instructors are members of the ministry staff. The head of the school is Senior Lieutenant CHANG Paek-san, aged 32. The school has 80 students, all men, most of them natives of areas of ROK near the 38 Parallel.
2. The students are told that those achieving excellent marks will be sent to the Soviet Union for further training. In January, the school engaged only in examining candidates on education, family background, and political beliefs.

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